

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff, v.

FERNANDO ALCIDES LOPEZ-MENDEZ,

CASE NO. 21-174-JCC

**DETENTION ORDER**

The Court has conducted a detention hearing under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and concludes there are no conditions which the defendant can meet which would reasonably assure the defendant's appearance as required or the safety of any other person and the community.

**FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION**

Defendant is charged with conspiracy to distribute controlled substances. The government alleges he helped transport large quantities of controlled substances. The Court received no verified information about Defendant, his ties to the community, employment, health or substance use. Because defense counsel is new to the case, the Court will grant fee leave to reopen.

It is therefore **ORDERED**:

1 (1) Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the  
2 Attorney General for confinement in a correctional facility separate, to the extent practicable,  
3 from persons awaiting or serving sentences, or being held in custody pending appeal;

4 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with  
5 counsel;

6 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the  
7 Government, the person in charge of the correctional facility in which Defendant is confined  
8 shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in  
9 connection with a court proceeding; and

10 (4) The Clerk shall provide copies of this order to all counsel, the United States  
11 Marshal, and to the United States Probation and Pretrial Services Officer.

12 DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

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BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
United States Magistrate Judge

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